In the second place, all that I can do at present on behalf of Government is that the request of the Hon'ble Member will be sympathetically considered.

Mr. K. T. Mathew *(Kunnamkulam).*—Will the Government also make enquiry and find out whether the School for the blind would cost more than the School for the deaf?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction).*—Certainly, it does cost.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim *(Cranganur).*—Should we not give some more encouragement to these indigenous institutions?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction)*—Government have already said that they will do their best to provide additional funds for financing the Schools. It is not possible to do anything in the middle of the year.

Mr. K. T. Mathew *(Kunnamkulam).*—When will the Government do?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction).*—In the next budget. That is the usual thing.

Grant-in-aid—Chalakkudi Cosmopolitan Reading Club.

59. Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi.)*—Will the Government be pleased to state whether the Director of Public Instruction has given the promised grant to the Chalakkudi Cosmopolitan Reading Club, at least now?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction).*—No. For want of funds.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi).*—May I know how long this request for grant was pending before the Government?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction).*—I cannot definitely say how long it has been. I remember in two successive years, I have received petitions. I don't want to be accused of having made any assurance next time. There is already a library there and there is a request for a village library in respect of which I am supposed to have given a definite assurance and which I will try to redeem on behalf of the Government. To aid a library and also to start another is not possible.

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